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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Community:

With two months left in the year, I have just two items for this month. Both involve all of us and both are going to take a team effort to accomplish them.

The first is volunteering. This year has been a very hard for many of us. I am sure we all know of someone who has been out of work, or we know folks that are struggling financially this year. I personally was out of work for 11 months between last year and this year. I know how hard it is for all of us to give our time or money this year. Yet this is the time more than other times of year where we need to help each other. I am encouraging all of us to give a few hours of time to help either a neighbor or a community group that we feel passionate about. From picking up a few extra cans of food to making a financial donation to a local charity or visiting a giving tree and selecting a couple of gifts for families that just can't afford them this year. I know that I am asking a lot for many of us, but if we each give a little, the difference we will make will be a lot.



I personally experienced this feeling of being a volunteer a couple of weeks ago when I attended a Boy Scout honor court, where a very unassuming gentleman, Ron Fox, was recognized for his efforts as a Boy Scout troop leader. Ron helped 20 boys reach the rank of Eagle Scout during his tenure. The look on his face and the face of the boys he helped was worth all of the effort he put into the program. I hope one day I can make the same difference Ron has made.

The second item is planning for a rough winter. I am sure many of you have been reading the weather report as I have; you know "They" are talking about a rough winter. We all need to be prepared and work together this winter. I am not sure if we will see a big snow storm like we did a couple of years ago, or if we will see major flooding like we did a few years ago, but I know that we will see something. That something will be hard to plan for, yet we need to plan. If you need information on how to prepare, there are a number of local organizations that have some great resources on what to set aside in your winter kits.

Our City has purchased different equipment to help clear the roads, from a new back hoe to road de-icer, yet we all need to plan if we can't get to the store or need to clear our driveway or plan how we work if the roads close due to flooding. This is a team effort that I know our City is ready for, so I ask that each of us get ready also.

Thank you and enjoy Thanksgiving,
Will Ibershof



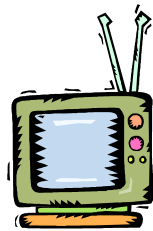
ARE YOU READY FOR WINTER?

As you have probably heard, weather forecasters are concerned about the potential for a particularly harsh winter in this area. Are you ready? Fire District 45 urges you to do some basic preparations including having a three-day supply of food, water, and emergency items for your family and pets. Ready-made emergency kits are available at many outlets or you can build your own. The Fire District offers a four-person kit for \$105 (go to www.duvallfire45.com for more information on the kit and preparedness in general). The kits make great gifts!



Your first responders will be there to help but we need you to do your part. There are two web sites with lots of good information on emergency preparedness. They are www.ready.gov and www.govlink.org/3days3ways/. Or call us at 425-788-1625.

TUNE IN



If you are a Broadstripe customer, tune in to Channel 8, the City of Duvall channel. You will find updates on local projects, events, severe weather information, and other useful information with just the click of the remote.

City of Duvall offices will be closed for the following holidays:

**November 11th (Thursday)
in Observance of Veterans Day**

**November 25th & 26th (Thursday & Friday)
in Observance of Thanksgiving Day**



LOCAL HOUSEHOLD BATTERY RECYCLING

With the help of King County Local Hazardous Waste grant funds and Duvall True Value Hardware and Garden, the City of Duvall is able to offer a permanent drop off location for household batteries.



The following battery "chemistries" are accepted:

Alkaline
NiCad - Nickel Cadmium
NiMH - Nickel Cadmium and Metal
Li - Lithium
Li-ion - Lithium Ion

All batteries should have the "chemistry" name listed on them somewhere.

Bring your used batteries to Duvall True Value during their normal business hours. A checker will take your batteries for recycling. Please tape the contacts of each battery and separate the different chemistries.

Auto and boat batteries are still recycled at Duvall Auto Parts during normal business hours.

If you have any questions about this program, please contact Jodi Lee Wycoff at City Hall, 425-788-1185 or jodi.wycoff@duvallwa.gov.

CALLING ALL HOME OWNER ASSOCIATIONS

The City of Duvall Planning Department is compiling a list of all HOA's. Please email Lara Thomas at lara.thomas@duvallwa.gov the following information:

Name of HOA, mailing address, and a point of contact.



The Planning Department would like to attend an HOA meeting once a year to give a presentation on what is happening in Duvall and get your feedback.

FLOODING INFORMATION



This time of year always brings rain. Lots and lots of rain. As most of you already know, for us here in the Snoqualmie Valley, all that rain means occasional flooding. It is a fact of life for us and we have to learn to deal with it when it occurs. Roads will likely close due to flooding at some point this season and when they do, we ask that you be patient with our Police Officers as they try to get you to and from wherever you need to go as quickly as possible. Here are some tips on how you can help:

Work from home if you can during a flood. That would mean one less car on the road and less time for you spent in traffic. Alternatively, you could change your hours so that your commute will be different than the majority.

Contact King County Roads to find out about closures before you hit the road. You can call them at 800-527-6237 or go to their website at <http://your.kingcounty.gov/kcdot/roads/roadalert/>. Another good resource for this information is the Regional Public Information Network (RPIN) at www.rpin.org/rpinweb/. You can sign up for email alerts about closures on either of these websites. There are also other resources at <http://www.kingcounty.gov/safety/prepare.aspx>

Go for a drive during the weekend when it is not flooding to find an alternate route that makes sense to you. You can find some options on our website at www.duvallwa.gov/helpfullinks.



Most importantly, BE SAFE & SMART! If a road is closed, it is closed for a reason and illegal to cross. Even if you cannot see water on one side of the valley, it may be on the other side. Do not try to cross a road with standing water on it, it is deeper and swifter than you think. If you think a road should be re-opened, please contact King County Roads at the number listed above or the Duvall-Carnation Police Department at 425-788-1519.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS



November 9th & 23rd : City Council Meetings - 7:00 p.m. in the meeting room of the Duvall Fire Station.

November 3rd & 17th : Planning Commission Meeting - 7:00 p.m. at the Duvall Community Center.

PLEASE NOTE: Both of the Council Meetings in November have been moved to Tuesdays, due to Veterans Day and Thanksgiving Day holidays.